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**RE: Veteran's Name: PFARRER, Charles Patrick  
SSN/SN:  
Request Number: 2-22575221876**

Dear Recipient:

Thank you for contacting the National Personnel Records Center. We are providing the releasable military service information based on restrictions imposed by the military services consistent with Department of Defense regulations and the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974. The releasable information requested, if present in the record, has been transcribed, photocopied, or a combination of both, in order to comply with your request.

This record contains sensitive personal information which, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy to the veteran, the veteran's family, or third party mentioned in the record. We have redacted and/or withheld that information in accordance with the personal privacy exemption of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6).

If additional information is needed, the Privacy Act of 1974 requires the written consent (signature) of the individual to whom the record pertains. If the individual is deceased, we must have the written consent of the next of kin and proof of death. The next of kin is defined as: unremarried widow or widower, son, daughter, father, mother, brother or sister. The following are acceptable forms of proof of death:

- Death certificate
- Newspaper article (obituary) or death notice
- Coroner's report of death
- Funeral director's signed statement of death
- Verdict of coroner's jury
- If death occurred outside the United States, any document similar to one of the preceding five, or a report of death signed by a United States consul or other agent of the State Department.

If you consider this an adverse response under the FOIA, and are not satisfied with our action on this request, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison Kevin Pratt for assistance at:

1 Archives Drive  
St. Louis, MO 63138  
(314) 801-0582  
[kevin.pratt@nara.gov](mailto:kevin.pratt@nara.gov)

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through our FOIA Public Liaison, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's office, offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services  
National Archives and Records Administration  
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College Park, MD 20740-6001

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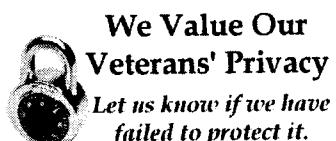
If you have any questions or comments regarding this response, you can reach JOSHUA SHORT by phone at 314-801-0645 or by mail at the address shown in the letterhead above, ATTN: JOSHUA SHORT AF-MC3, Room 260. If you contact us, please reference the Request Number listed above.

Sincerely,



KEVIN PRATT  
Assistant Director

Enclosure(s)



Please complete our on-line survey. We really want to know how we did answering your request. Go to [www.archives.gov/veterans/survey](http://www.archives.gov/veterans/survey) and enter your request number 2-22575221876. The survey should only take a few minutes and is used to help improve service to our customers.

# INFORMATION RELEASABLE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

<b>NAME:</b> Charles Patrick Pfarrer III
<b>BRANCH OF SERVICE AND SERIAL/SERVICE NUMBER(S):</b> United States Navy
<b>DATES OF SERVICE:</b> United States Naval Reserve July 24, 1980 to October 02, 1980 United States Navy October 03, 1980 to June 30, 1986 United States Naval Reserve August 01, 1986 to May 31, 1993
<b>DUTY STATUS:</b> Discharged
<b>RANK/GRADE:</b> Lieutenant
<b>SALARY:</b> NA
<b>SOURCE OF COMMISSION:</b> Officer Candidate School
<b>PROMOTION SEQUENCE NUMBER:</b> NA
<b>ASSIGNMENTS AND GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS:</b> See attached
<b>MILITARY EDUCATION:</b> Officer Candidate School, Defensive Driving, Political Warfare School, Navy Special Warfare Junior Office School, BUD/S Training, Airborne Training, Amphibious Warfare Training, Boat Group Officer School
<b>DECORATIONS AND AWARDS:</b> Navy Achievement Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Navy Unit Commendation, Expert Pistol Shot Medal, Expert Rifle Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon(2), Navy Expeditionary Medal
<b>TRANSCRIPT OF COURT-MARTIAL TRIAL:</b> Not on File
<b>PHOTOGRAPH:</b> Not on File
<b>PLACE OF ENTRY:</b> New Orleans, LA
<b>PLACE OF SEPARATION:</b> NAB Little Creek, Norfolk, VA
<b>FOR DECEASED VETERAN ONLY</b>
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>
<b>DATE OF DEATH</b>
<b>LOCATION OF DEATH</b>
<b>PLACE OF BURIAL</b>
<b>NOTE:</b> N/A denotes information is not available in the veteran's records

**Assignments and Geographic Locations:**

NETC NEW PORT, RI Officer School Candidate October 06, 1980 to February 06, 1981  
NAVPHIBSCHOL CORONADO SAN DIEGO, CA Student Duty Officer February 07, 1981 to  
October 02, 1981  
UDT TWO ONE Athletic Officer November 18, 1981 to June 30, 1982  
UDT TWO ONE Tactical Evaluation Officer July 01, 1982 to October 22, 1982  
UDT TWO ONE Assistant Officer in Charge October 23, 1982 to February 28, 1983  
SEAL TEAM FOUR Assistant Platoon Commander March 01, 1983 to February 29, 1984  
SEAL TEAM FOUR Platoon Commander CDR March 01, 1984 to August 29, 1984  
SEAL TEAM SIX Prospective Assault Group Leader August 30, 1984 to December 31, 1984  
SEAL TEAM SIX Assault Group Leader January 01, 1985 to June 30, 1986

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COMMANDER SIXTH FLEET



NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the  
NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE  
CHARLES PATRICK PFARRER - [REDACTED]  
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For professional achievement in the superior performance of his duties while serving as Officer in Charge of a Seal Team Element for Commander Task Force SIX ONE from 30 May 1983 to 17 November 1983, while deployed with the United States Sixth Fleet in support of Multi-National Peacekeeping Force, Beirut, Lebanon. During this period his Seal Team Element assisted in providing security to the ships and craft supporting the U.S. Marine contingent of the Multi-National Peacekeeping Force, Beirut, Lebanon. Lieutenant (junior grade) Pfarrer consistently involved himself in every aspect of this security, training both his element and shipboard personnel, conducting continual patrols both afloat and ashore, and interdicting potentially hostile contacts. Additionally, his patrols along shore were subjected to occasional shelling and small arms attacks. During such periods he invariably demonstrated the precise combination of firmness and discretion required to continue his sensitive and important tasks. That the task force ships were able to continue operating in support of the Multi-National Peacekeeping Force, despite a definite and real terrorist threat, is in large part attributable to his aggressive and diligent actions. Lieutenant (junior grade) Pfarrer's exceptional professional ability, initiative and loyal dedication to duty reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service.

For the Secretary of the Navy,

*Edward H. Martin*

EDWARD H. MARTIN  
Vice Admiral, United States Navy  
Commander Sixth Fleet

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